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20 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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22 YITZCHOK FRANKEL *et al.*,

23 Plaintiffs,

24 v.

25 REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF CALIFORNIA *et al.*,

26 Defendants.

27 Case No.: 2:24-cv-04702

**SUPPLEMENTAL
DECLARATION OF KAMRAN
SHAMSA**

Judge: Hon. Mark C. Scarsi
Hearing: May 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Courtroom: 7C

1 I, Kamran Shamsa, declare and state as follows:

2 1. I am over the age of 18 and am capable of making this declaration
3 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I have personal knowledge of all of the
4 contents of this declaration.

5 2. I am an observant Jew. I observe Jewish holidays and Shabbat, and
6 my Jewish faith and identity are at the core of who I am.

7 3. When I was eleven years old, my family and I immigrated to the
8 United States from Iran.

9 4. In Iran, I remember having to be afraid of my religion. I have
10 recollections of going to elementary school in Iran and experiencing
11 antisemitism and persecution because of my Jewish faith.

12 5. The ability to practice my religion freely, so that I didn't have to be
13 afraid of having an "outside" religion, was the main reason why I
14 immigrated to America.

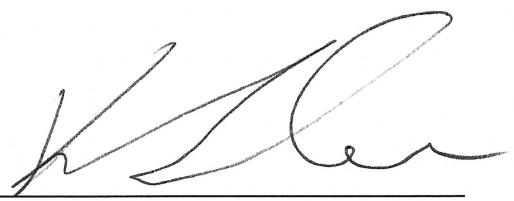
15 6. Along with my family, I regularly attend services at Eretz
16 Synagogue and Cultural Center in Los Angeles, which includes a
17 significant Persian Jewish community.

18 7. I have visited Israel multiple times, including most recently in
19 2023, approximately four months before Hamas's terrorist attacks on
20 Israel.

21 8. My religious beliefs about Israel are a core aspect of my Jewish
22 faith. As a matter of my faith, I believe that Israel has a right to exist,
23 that it is the homeland of the Jewish people, and that I must support
24 Israel as a homeland for Jews. I cannot disclaim Israel or its right to
25 exist.

26 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

1 Executed this 7th day of February 2025.



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